# Minutes of the 199th Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors Northeast Nebraska Public Power District

The 199th regular meeting of the Northeast Nebraska Public Power District was called to order at 7:00 p.m., on June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2014, by President Don Larsen. This meeting was held in the District General's Office in Wayne, NE. Director Larsen announced that the meeting was being conducted pursuant to the Nebraska Open Meetings Law and pointed out the location of the law in the meeting room.

Notice of this meeting was posted at all facilities of Northeast Nebraska Public Power District and was delivered by first class mail to the City Hall offices of the following towns and villages: Allen, Carroll, Concord, Dixon, Emerson, Foster, Hoskins, Hubbard, Jackson, Martinsburg, Maskell, McLean, Newcastle, Obert, Osmond, Pierce, Ponca, South Sioux City, Thurston, Waterbury, Wakefield, Wayne and Winside. Notice was also sent to the following newspapers: Nebraska Journal Leader, Norfolk Daily News, Norfolk Shopper, Pender Times, Pierce County Leader, Osmond Republican, Randolph Times, South Sioux City Star, Wakefield Republican, and Wayne Herald.

The following Officers and Directors were present:

Director Silhacek Director Kneifl

Director Lebsock Director Gansebom Director Larsen

Director Newton Director Bodlak

Directors Absent: **Director Gustafson** 

Others present: Kyle Dahl, Jan Kristjanson, Mark Shults, Mandy Backer, Todd Hegwer, Daryl Hart, and Kevin Connot.

- 1. <u>Motion to Excuse Absence:</u> A motion was made by Director Lebsock to excuse the absence of Director Gustafson. This motion was seconded by Director Bodlak and carried on a 7-0 voice vote.
- 2. <u>Appoint Acting Treasurer:</u> A motion was made by Director Gansebom to appoint Director Kneifl as acting Treasurer. This motion was seconded by Director Silhacek and carried on a 7-0 voice vote.
- 3. Review and approve minutes of the May 27, 2014 regular Board of Directors Meeting: A motion was made by Director Lebsock to approve the minutes from the May 27, 2014 Board meeting. This motion was seconded by Director Gansebom and carried on a 7-0 voice vote.
- 4. <u>Public Comment Period</u>: Kevin Connot of Allen, Nebraska gave a presentation about wind energy development in Nebraska.
- 5. <u>Authorization of May 2014 expenses</u>: Following a brief discussion about the May 2014 expenses, a motion was made by Director Kneifl to authorize the May 2014 expenses. This motion was seconded by Director Bodlak.

The following roll call vote was taken upon the motion:

Director Larsen – yes Director Silhacek – yes Director Newton – yes

Director Gansebom – yes Director Kneifl – yes Director Gustafson – (absent)

Director Bodlak – yes Director Lebsock - yes

All directors present voting yes, the motion carried 7-0.

6. Review and approve the May 2014 Financial Statements: Mark Shults and Mandy Backer provided information regarding the numbers on the finances of the District, and noted that things are still in good shape, but noted that with all the storms we had this month, expenses will definitely increase. Following a brief discussion, Director Silhacek made a motion to approve the May 2014 financial statements, which was seconded by Director Newton and carried on a 7-0 voice vote.

### 7. Management Reports to the Board:

- a. <u>Jan Kristjanson</u> Jan reported that the District has been working with FEMA on the storm damage estimates, which are currently at about \$1,000,000. She also provided an update on collection efforts and the prepaid program, as well as the fact she is submitting requests for health insurance premiums.
- b. <u>Mark Shults</u> Mark discussed the recent outages, his letter to NPPD regarding participation in SPP, and the topics to be discussed at the July meeting.
- c. <u>Many Backer</u> Mandy also discussed the fact that FEMA has been visiting the District, and that the most recent estimates of storm damage are 60 broken poles in Wayne County, 47 broken poles in Dixon County and 9 in Thurston County.

#### 8. Old Business:

a. <u>Presentation by Todd Hegwer and NextEra Wind:</u> A motion was made by Director Silhacek to go into executive session for the purpose of discussing proprietary confidential business information presented by NextEra representatives, which was seconded by Director Kneifl.

The following roll call vote was taken upon the motion:

Director Larsen – yes Director Silhacek – yes Director Newton – yes

Director Gansebom – yes Director Kneifl – yes Director Gustafson – (absent)

Director Bodlak – yes Director Lebsock - yes

All directors present voting yes, the motion carried 7-0, and the Board went into executive session at 8:00 p.m.

Following the presentation, a motion was then made by Director Kneifl to come out of executive session, which was seconded by Director Newton. The motion carried 7-0, and the board came out of executive session at 8:56 p.m.

### 9. New Business:

a. Vote to accept non-binding term sheet from NextEra wind to begin negotiations
 for a Purchase Power Agreement from a new NextEra wind development project.
 A motion was made by Director Lebsock to accept the non-binding term sheet to begin
 negotiations with NextEra. This motion was seconded by Director Kneifl and carried on a
 7-0 voice vote.

b. <u>Discussion</u> by the Board President and General Manager regarding the agenda for the annual planning meeting held in July of each year. The Board and management discussed the topics for the annual planning meeting next month. This was a discussion topic only, and no official votes were taken.

# 10. <u>Board Member Reports</u>:

- a. Director Silhacek discussed the recent CFC meeting.
- 11. <u>Executive Session</u>: Director Gansebom made a motion to go into executive session for the purpose of discussing an employee personnel issue with management where the employee had not requested a public hearing. The motion was seconded by Director Newton.

The following roll call vote was taken upon the motion:

Director Larsen – yes	Director Silhacek – yes	Director Newton - yes
Director Gansebom – yes	Director Kneifl – yes	Director Gustafson – (absent)
Director Bodlak – yes	Director Lebsock - yes	

All directors present voting yes, the board went into executive session at 9:47 p.m.

A motion was then made by Director Silhacek to come out of executive session, which was seconded by Director Newton. The motion carried 7-0, and the board came out of executive session at 10:18 p.m.

There was then a motion to adjourn the meeting made by Director Lebsock and seconded by Director Kneifl. The motion was approved on a 7-0 voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 10:48 p.m.

I, the undersigned, secretary of the Northeast Nebraska Public Power District, Wayne, Nebraska, hereby certify that all of the subjects included in the foregoing proceedings were contained in the agenda for the meeting, kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the District; that minutes of the District were in written form and available for public inspection within ten working days and prior to the next convened meeting of said body; that all news media requesting notification concerning meeting of said body were provided advance notification of the time and place of said meeting and the subject matters to be discussed at said meeting.

	Attest:		
Secretary		President	